

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 952

By Windle

A RESOLUTION to honor Coach Lamar Rogers on the occasion of his 1,218th career victory.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in recognizing a basketball coaching legend who has attained the very pinnacle of his sport; and

WHEREAS, Coach Lamar Rogers of Clarkrange High School recently earned his 1,218th career victory in a 46-26 victory over Pickett County, surpassing the late Jim Smiddy to claim the most wins by a Tennessee coach at any level; his 1,218 wins also make him the fourth-winningest high school coach in the country and place him within less than 100 wins of the National Federation of State High School Associations' all-time record; and

WHEREAS, Coach Rogers began his estimable coaching career in 1977. In his forty-two years as a coach, his teams have averaged twenty-eight wins per season and made twenty-four state tournament appearances, winning eight TSSAA titles and finishing as state runners-up three times; and

WHEREAS, Lamar Rogers is most proud of the success of the students he has coached; fifty of his former players have signed college basketball scholarships, and three of his former players, Miranda Cravens, Kelli Reed, and Radhika Miller, have gone on to become high school coaches themselves; and

WHEREAS, he is most thankful for the love and support of his family, especially his loving wife, Karen; and

WHEREAS, Coach Lamar Rogers has distinguished himself as one of the greatest coaches in basketball history, and he is most worthy of our approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we honor Coach Lamar Rogers on the occasion of his 1,218th career victory as the head coach of the Clarkrange High School Lady Buffaloes, congratulate him on becoming the winningest Tennessee basketball coach of all-time, applaud his ongoing commitment to the student athletes under his charge, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness, both on and off the court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.